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**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) MEETING  
StanCOG Board Room  
1111 I Street, Suite 308  
Modesto, CA**

**Minutes of April 2, 2014 (Wednesday)  
6:00 pm**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Stephen Bonrepos, Chris Esther, Terhesa Gamboa, Jeffrey Goschen

**ALSO PRESENT:** Carla Alviso, Mike Costa, Jeanette Fabela, Jaylen French, Carlos Yamzon (StanCOG); Kari McNickle (Commute Connection)

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Chris Esther called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A. Motion to Approve Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Minutes of 3/5/14**

**\* By Motion (Member Steve Bonrepos/ Member Terhesa Gamboa),** and a unanimous vote, the Citizens Advisory Committee approved the Consent Calendar.

**5. PRESENTATION**

**A. National Bike to Work Week in Stanislaus County, May 12<sup>th</sup> through May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

Kari McNickle provided a presentation on the upcoming Bike to Work week in Stanislaus County. She gave an overview of the scheduled activities and the prizes to be awarded. She outlined three components that help make a successful event and reviewed resource information to help in planning an event. She also mentioned that information was available online at [www.valleybikecommute.com](http://www.valleybikecommute.com). A discussion followed where the members gave their feedback and had their questions answered.

## 6. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

### A. **Public Review and Comment Period Schedule for the StanCOG Draft 2014 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) (Public Hearing at Policy Board meeting on April 16, 2014)**

Jaylen French stated that the Draft 2014 Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) and Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) were out for a public review and comment period. He said there would be two public hearings, one at the Policy Board meeting on April 16<sup>th</sup> in Modesto and the other at the May 21<sup>st</sup> Policy Board meeting that would be held in Ceres. He also highlighted key factors of the RTP/SCS. He encouraged the members to review the documents and to submit any comments they had. The documents would go before the Policy Board for adoption at their June 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. A discussion followed and members' questions were answered.

### B. **State Route 132 West Update**

Carlos Yamzon provided an update of the latest activity on the SR 132 West project. He stated that the Department of Toxic Substance Control was reviewing the Remedial Action Plan (RAP). Once completed, the RAP would be incorporated into the Draft Environmental Document which was scheduled to be released for a review and comment period in the fall of 2014.

### C. **Upcoming Public Review and Comment Period Schedule for the StanCOG Draft 2015 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP)**

Jeanette Fabela stated that the draft 2015 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP), which programs projects in FFY 2014/15 through FFY 2017/18, would soon be released. She provided an overview of how the funding was received and gave a timeline for the upcoming 50-day public comment period. She stated there would be a public hearing at the May 21<sup>st</sup> Policy Board meeting, which would be held in Ceres. She encouraged members to review the document and provide any feedback they had. The draft FTIP would go before the Policy Board for adoption at their June 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. A brief discussion followed.

### D. **Program of Projects for Fiscal Year 2009 and Fiscal Years 2010-12 Job Access and Reverse Commute (FTA Section 5316) and New Freedom (FTA Section 5317) Funds**

Mike Costa provided a brief update on the Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) and New Freedom (NF) funds, and reported on the remaining SAFETEA-LU grant funds that were available. He stated that staff had received four applications from Paratransit, Inc., which serves as the Stanislaus Region's Consolidated Transportation Services Agency (CTSA). He summarized the projects listed in the applications and outlined how the funds would be spent expanding the CTSA mobility management program and outreach. He also said there is a 14 day public comment period from April 1 through April 14<sup>th</sup>, and a public hearing would be held in the StanCOG board room on April 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm. A discussion took place where members gave their input and had their questions answered.

## 7. INFORMATION ITEMS

*The following items were provided for information only.*

### A. **Policy Board Minutes of 2/19/14**

### B. **Executive Committee Minutes of 2/10/14**



**C. Management and Finance Committee Minutes of 2/12/14**

**D. Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) Minutes of 2/4/14**

**E. Valley Vision Stanislaus (VVS) Steering Committee Minutes of 12/3/13**

**8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

Carlos Yamzon reported that a Caltrans representative would try to attend the CAC meetings on a quarterly basis to provide updates to the members. He also reported that the Policy Board voted at their March 19<sup>th</sup> meeting not to go forward with the transportation tax at this time, based on the results of a telephone public opinion poll conducted by EMC Research.

**9. MEMBER REPORTS**

Member Steve Bonrepos supplied information and comments he had regarding Assembly Bill (AB) 2054, that had been introduced by Assemblymember Kristen Olsen, which removed previous restrictions [VC 21968, 1977] on the use of motorized skateboards on public roadways. A brief discussion followed.

Vice Chair Terhesa Gamboa reported that the Capital Improvement Program Task Force was allocated \$3 million, by the Modesto City Council, which could be used to provide a Class 1 bike path connecting MJC East and West campuses.

Member Jeffery Goschen asked if StanCOG was involved in the workshops being held in the region regarding suburban placemaking. Jaylen French reported that StanCOG was involved. He provided background information on the State Route 108 Reinvestment Study being undertaken by the cities of Modesto, Oakdale and Riverbank, and said that the workshops were part of this study. He also informed members that a workshop was to be held on Friday, April 4th at the StanCOG office regarding this topic.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Chris Esther adjourned the meeting at 7:14 pm.

**Next Regularly Scheduled Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting:**

**May 7, 2014 (Wednesday) @ 6:00 pm**

**StanCOG Board Room**

**1111 I Street, Suite 308**

**Modesto, CA 95354**

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